

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A wire harness excessive length absorbing device comprising:

a case, having a base wall, front wall, rear wall, pair of side walls and a cover, for receiving a wire harness having an inlet formed in a side wall adjacent the rear wall, and an outlet formed in the rear wall for the wire harness;

an urging member for urging the wire harness toward an inside of the case; and

a harness roller on which the wire harness being is rolled, said harness roller reciprocally moving under acting forth force of the urging member, and

a harness guide mounted on the outlet and curved toward the inlet for guiding the harness to the outside of the case.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The wire harness excessive length absorbing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the harness guide is curved in the same direction as a direction of the wire harness being rolled on the harness roller.

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Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The wire harness excessive length absorbing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein a radius of corner of the harness guide is formed equal to or larger than a thickness of the case.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The wire harness excessive length absorbing device as claimed in claim 1,

wherein the outlet is disposed in a direction perpendicular to that of the inlet.